THE STATE.

A Just Libel Law.

At the recent meeting of the state press association in Lansing a committee com-losed of representatives of the four Detroit falles and Charles Hampton of the Petos-

dalies and Charles Hampton of the Petos-ley Independent-Democrat, reported that they had submitted their wishes to Fred A. Haker, a Detroit attorney, who had draft-eff the following bill: Section 1. The people of the state of Michigan enact, That in actions for libel there shall be no presumption of either ex-press, actual or logal malice from the mero fact of the publication of the libel, and the burden of press on the question of malice

fact of the publication of the libel, and the burden of proof on the question of malice shall been the plaintiff.

See 2. In actions for libel, if there is no proof of express malice, or the court or jury shall find that there was no such modice, no exemplary or punitive damages shall be awarded, nor shall any general damages be awarded that are not strictly

Sec. 3. No action for libel shall be brought or maintained unless the plaintiff shall, before bringing suit, request the defendant to publish a retraction of the libel, and allow to the defendant a reason-shile time in which to publish such retraction and to make such terraction and to make such der the circumstances of the case, and proof of the publication of such retraction or correction shall be admissable in evidence under the general issue on the ques-tion of the food faith of the defendant, and in mitigation and reduction of dumages. Proof of failure or neglect of the plaintiff to comply wit: the premises of this section may be given in evidence under the general issue in par of the action.

It shall not be lawful for any at-Sec. 4. torney at law to bring or conduct any action of libel for a contingent fee, or on any un-derstanding, express or implied, that he is to receive any portion or all of the damages recovered as compensation for his services; nor shall any attorney at law advance any poney or incur any liability for the purpose of deiraying the expenses of the plaintiff in

my such action. Sec. 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

The bill was discussed section by section,

Mr. Baker explaining points that were effectioned and was indersed by the association as a fair and honorable bill for all who may be concerned in it, should the legislature make it a law.

Annual Meeting of the M. M. B. A. The annual meeting of the Michigan Mu-tual Benefit association was head in Hills-dille on the 7th inst. The reports of the officers have the company to be in a pros-perous condition and steadily increasing its membership. At the election of directors the to lowing very chosent I. B. Card As membership. At the election of directors the to lowing were chosen in R. Card, C. P. Cook, C. M. Barre, O. A. Jones, P. M. Siewart, R. A. Everett, W. H. Santh, J. R. Wyllie of Hill dale; C. McKay of Quiney, J. H. Bian of Adrian, and D. Z. Cartis of Saginaw. The directors held a meeting and elected the following officers, President, Ira B. Card; vice-president, H. B. Rowison; secretary, J. B. Wyllie; treasurer, C. F. Cook; medical examiner, R. A. Everett.

A Proposed Reform-

A joint meeting of the prison boards with the board of corrections and charities has approved an act to provide for indeter-minate sentences in accordance with the recommendation of the governor's message. It is modeled very closely after the Ohio daw. They also approve, with a few miner alterations, the "Long act," the sections providing for the consideration of the governing boards of Jackson and Marquette state prisons and the louis reformatory into one general prison board of probably four members. It is believed that this will simplify the work of the management and do away with shouldering off undesirable prisoners from one institution upon another.

State Salt Inspection. The monthly report of the state inspec-tor shows there was inspected during De-cember quantities of sait as follows.

Saginaw county	74,220
Bay	71.825
Manistee	47,219
Mason	20,998
St. Clair	21,857
Iosco	8,944
Midland	4,210
Huron	50.1
Total	254,774
Michigan's Account.	
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Michigan's account with the government as adjusted by the direct tax commission, stands as follows:

State of Michigan Dr. To direct tax, as per report No. 55,634 . \$501,763 33 By cash deposited, as per report No 10,772 By 15 per cent com-missions.... \$123,498 83

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Barrels

WOLVERINE WHISPERINGS.

John C. Blood and wife of Carlton Center, Barry county, arrived at the Hudson bouse in Lansing on their wedding tour the other night. Blood says he turned the gas down on retiring, but as the flame did not disappear, he blow it out. He awoke at an early hour the next morning, and found his bride unconscious. Aid was promptly summoned, and she was restored. John Lodock was killed by a falling tree

in a lumber camp a mile and a half Reed City the other day.

Heed City the other day.

Capt. Regers of Company K, Second regiment, M. S. T., is drafting a bill for presentation to the legislature, providing that officers and enlisted men of the state troops shall be granted pensions for injuries re-ceived in the line of duty. It also looks to the increase of the pay of the officers of the militia. The privates now receive double the pay of the United States soldiers, while the officers do not receive half officers do not receive half amount of regulars of the same rank, while they are put to great expense for uniforms and accounterments.

Ed. Dean was run over and killed by the cars while walking on the railroad track near North Star. He was very deaf and did not hear the train approaching.

James Drew, an old soldier, was fatally injured by a D. L. & N. train near Howard City the other morning.

Robert Gregg of Sault Ste Marie, while shooting at a target on an old and vacated shack on the bank of the canal, shot and killed a man who happened to be inside weaking shelter.

The line for the extension north of the foledo. Ann Arbor & North Michigan rall-joud s being surveyed on the west side of the river in East Saginaw. It is proposed to connect the mills on that side with the road and then extend it north toward Mackinaw. A bridge will be constructed across the river at Thompson street in East Sagi. the river at Thompson street in East Sagi

A colony of 5) families is being organized at Luther to go to Washington Territory. Mrs. Towic, 34 years old, walked from Greenville to Spencer's Mills, a distance of nine miles, a few days ago.

Thes. Atkins of Care, raised 1,100 bushels of potatoes, carross and onlons from less than two acres of land. Florence, daughter of Ludwig Daniels, merchant tailor of Bay City, aged 7, while running on a stone sidewalk fell and frac-tured her skuli. Her recovery is doubtful.

Adrian had a \$10,000 fire on the 5th inst. The friends of Judge Wallace of the circuit court at Stanton raised a purse of \$400 with which to purchase for him a horse and buggy. Judge Walace acknowledged the kindness that suggested the gift, but refused to accept the and the money has been returned to the denors. Knights of Labor at Shelby will soon open a co-operative store.

Upper peninsula mines reported their outputs for December as follows: Calumet & Hecia, 2,586 tons; Atlantic, 217; Quincy, 205; Franklin, 197; Huron, 130. Bay City is booming Capt. Harry P. Mer.

ill for department commander of the Mich-gan division G. A. R. George I. Ferguson of Grand Rapids has een sentenced to five years in louis for obbing a house while the owner was at

Matthew W. Birchard died in Detroit on he 5th inst., aged 100 years and six nonths. Mr. Birchard was the oldest citizen in Detroit, where he has lived contin-uously since 1:30. He was one of the oldest native born Americans on this continent, and the oldest citizen of Detroit.

D. Patterson of Richmond, 80 years old, has just recovered from an attack of whoop

The receipts of the Kalamazoo postoffice The receipts of the Kalamazoo postomee for the quarter ouding Jan. 1 were \$10,-3.5 84; same quarter last year, \$9,319 07. The receipts of the first three quarters of this fiscal year wear \$12,007 32, as against \$21,000 84 for the same quarters last year. This increase of business shows that Kalamazoo is increasing in complation at a amazoo is increasing in population at a

Says the Lansing Republican: We were shown to day by Dr. Baker of the state board of health a child's whistle, bought and sold as a knoo. The instrument is about four inches long and covered with a green paper, almost entirely composed of arsenite of copper—equal to paris green— and contained sufficient polyon to kill a dox-The doctor discovered the kazoo in the hands of his infant child just in time save its life, having in its mouth enough the poison to cause lustant death.

The December run at the Ropes mine mill, yielded \$7,651 42 in gold and sliver. This amount was saved from 1,552 tons of rock crushed and is the largest product achieved by the mine in a single month. The discoveries of free gold at the Peninsu-la and Superior mines is causing a flutter among those interested.

Crozier Davison formerly a well-known ine land operator and prominent citizen of Detroit, died at his home in that city on the

William Stochal of Lansing was crushed to death by a falling tree, while chopping

Forty thousand cords of spruce and balam pulp wood, at \$2.75 per cord, is being totten out at the '500' for the sulphite fibre sany of Monico, Wis.

A drydeck big enough to accommodate the largest vessels on the lakes will be built at Port Haren.

Two oil companies are buying up leases fall property in the vicinity of Al egac. The stamps stolen from the Graud Rapids ost office were round on one of the scrouts a that city

A total of \$41 velorans have been cared or at the soldiers' home.

An eagle was shot near Clinton the other i y that measured six feet from tip to tip. The public schools in Holland have been closed on account of the prevalence of scariet fever in town.

Fred Roth, an employe of the Grand Rapids tank company, is an embezzler to the amount of \$1,000.

Gov. Luce has appointed Henry B Led-yard of Detroit to represent Michigan at the centential celebration of the inaugura-tion of George Washington to be held in New York April 20 next. John Schwindinger of North Lansing

was thrown from his carriage and his skull fractured. He died in a few minutes.

Prof Plowman has been superintendent of schools at White Pigeon for 19 years. Sixteen salom keepers of St. Ignace must tell a justice why they kept their saloons open on New Yearsday. Miss Jennie Swetland of Kalamazoo, has

been obliged to go back to jail because her ball ran out and her hondsmen would not Licut. L. B. Baker of Lausing, who com-manded the party which captured Booth, is ecturing upon the assessanation of Lincoln.

S. B. & A. B. Stevens, pioneer shee dealers of Greenville, and supposed to be among the solid men of the town, have

nortgaged their stock for nearly \$10,000. Veterans are packed in the soldiers' home almost as thick as they used to be in Libby prison.

S. B. Rogers and brother, who lived at Hastings four years ago, recently obtained possession of two old claims at Brecken-ridge, Col., that had been abandoned, and less than half an hour after beginning ork in one of them struck a vein of silve hich brought them an offer of \$100,000 for the mine.

The other morning about a half bushel of ground feed, sait and Paris green was dis-covered in the barnyard of A. L. Drew, a prominet resident of Chilimning township, Berrien county. Some of Mr. Drew's fine steek had parishen of the dose, and four The miscreant who placed the ison is not known.

The annual meeting of the West Michi-The annual mesting of the West Michi-gan Farmers' Club was held in Grand Rapids Jan. S. Officers were elected as follows: President, George S. Linderman; vice-presidents, W. W. Johnson, Grand Rapids; E. F. Besworth, Georgetown, Ot-tawa county; S.S. Bailey and E. M. Knapp, Grand Rapids; secretary treasurer, F. L.

St. Joseph is trying to get the Columbus, Lima & Northwestern road

The Au Sable & Northwestern railroad will connect Au Sable and Atlanta, Mont-morency county, and will be completed next summer. The Au Sable end is being finished now. Some Bay City people have formed a

summer resort association, and will operate on one of the Les Chenaux islands in upper Lake Huron. The president of the com-pany is A. M. Bousfield.

A daughter of James Hathaway of Grand Rapids, aged 8 years, apparently died in a spasm recently, and the arrangements were made for the funeral, when she resumed consclousness, and at last accounts was rapidly getting better.

A petition is being circulated in Cold-water asking that the governor of Colorado commute the sentence of Chas. Croswathe, who is to be hanged in Denver, Jan 25. Crosthwaite used to live in Coldwater.

Henry B. Ledyard and Thomas W. Fer ry are members of the commission to represent Michigan at the Washington in augural centennial.

The circuit court of Bay county has awarded Joe Kelly \$1,000 damages in his suit against that county for injuries receiv ed by the falling of a bridge. He asked for

A petrified human skeleton was cast up by the waves of Lake Michigan on the beach near Bridgman recently. The head and arms were gone, as also the feet, the body and upper legs being intact and solid-

Federal appointees accredited to Michigan, but who hold positions outside of the state, are drawing from the United States treasury the vast sum of \$500,000 per an-

Hon. Charles H. Taylor, a well known citizen and politician of Grand Rapids, died on the 9th inst.

Three Michigan men are in Washington trying to get the appointment of governor of Alasic,

Grand Rapids has 18 newspapers, a Swedish one, just started, making that

It is probable that a bridge 3,300 feet lor vill be built between Muskegon and North

People who have paid H. M. Wheeler and J. H. McDonald of the Grand Rapids em-ployment agency \$1 for a job and have failed to get the job, have caused the arrest of the two for false pretences.

The Michigan prote association has unantmously adopted a resolution favoring an in-crease in the salaries of state officers.

Wyllys C. Dansom of Kalamazco has been appointed deputy commissioner of railroads. C.B. Conger of St. Chair county has been appointed mechanical engineer by the commissioner of railroads.

All the township officers of Glade, Kalkaska county, except the clerk, elected last spring were residents of logging camps and have drifted to other parts of the state, and there is but one officer in the township.

Geo. M. Dinehart of Owosso was killed at Shenago, Penn., recently, while trying to get 6.f a moving train. Alvin Russet, employed in a feed mill at Lake Odessa, attempted to kick a belt of a running pulley, but a ipped and fell upon the pulley. He was carried to the shaft and his leg below the knee wound around it, crushing the bones and flesh into a shape

ess mass. The leg was umputated. The McGraws of Bay City are to build a ogging road up the valley of the Dead river in the section around Silver lake and the county line between Barasa and Marquette, where they own an immense tract of pine. Bank Commissioner Sherwood will apoint E. A. Sunderlin of Lowell as his

W.J. Magee of Marshall has been appointed law clerk in the general band office at a salary of \$1,000 a year.

Bronson offers \$100 reward for the con-viction of the fire bug that infects that

While Samuel Arnold, who married Phileppi La Grue at Florence, Wis., a couple of weeks ago, was sitting at a table with his wife reading, at Iron River. Iron county, the other evening, John Blessingham, a former husband of Mrs. Arnold, whom she had discarded, walked into the room unannounced and coolly and deliberately riddled Arnold with bullets from a 32-calibre revolver, putting four through C-calibre revolver, putting four through y. He then assaulted him with the r, striking him on the face and head. 's recovery is impossible. Blessingrevolver, striking him on the race Blessing-Arnold's recovery is impossible. Blessing-ham surrendered himself to the officers. The woman skipped out and has not been

Charles A. Dixon of Saginaw, deputy county treasurer, has skip ped with a weinau with whom he kad been or some time enamored. Defalentions of considerable amounts have been discovered his accounts.

The aggregate of deposits in the 10 savings banks of Detroit, is \$.8,501,871.55.

Jas. H. Kinnane, attorney of the state card of pharmacy, has been investigating Detroit druggists, and says that several of them have been fall ng precriptions with-eat having cerdificates of competency from the board. They will be brought to ac-

Dispatches from many points in Michigan say that the storm of the 9th inst. was general. In upper Michigan the fall of snow ranges from eight inches to a foot. The snow belt starts in the southwestern part of the state and extends diagonally cross to Cheboygun.

A. A. Shaver, ex-county tressurer of Charecounty, is being investigated, and it is alleged that a sharrage of \$2,500 has been found in his accounts.

Adrian typographical union has voted to ask Gen. Harrison to appoint a member of the typographical union for public printer.

The state fuperal directors in session at Grand Rapids elected these officers: President, T. J. Blandfield, Portland; vice presidents, W. W. Bennett, Packson, M. D. North, Owesso, M. J. Buck, Lansing; sec retary, C. C. Merritz, Greenville; treasurer, John A. Dick, Detroit; executive committee, M. J. Buck, Lansing, George Almed, Ionia, and P. H. O'Brien of Grand Rapids. The next meeting will be held in

M. Van Every, a resident of Coldwater ince 1845, died on the 10th inst. since 1845, died on the 10th inst.

A man giving the name of E. H. Swartz got a nice horse and buggy from H Coleman's livery barn in East Seginaw and went over to Saginaw City, where he gave the name of George H. Franstock, and obtained from George L. Burrows' private bank \$200, giving as security a mortgage on the rig. He then paid Coleman and skipned. An officer is after him. The swindler is 40 years old, walks lame, has a full, smooth face and has lived around South Saginaw, where he is known as a horse

LOSS OF LIFE IN PITTSBURG.

Saginaw, where he is known as a horse trader. That is how Burrows was deceived.

Several Buildings Wracked and the Occupants Caught in the Ruins.

Many : Ives Lost. A furious storm swept over Pittsburg on the 9th inst. A new building, almost com-pleted, was blown down, and its falling walks crushed adjoining buildings, the occu-pants of which were caught in the crash. Seven persons were killed outright and many others will die, while a score of others are crippled and mained for life. The cyclone wrought terrible destruction

In other parts of the city and out along the railroads contering here. A portion of the foundry of Melatosh, Hemphill & Co., on Thirteenth street, was wrecked, as was also a house in Alloghery. At Watts station, on the Pennsylvania rail road, a large brick building, owned by the Westinghouse Air Brake Company, was partially demolished, and at Wilmerding, Pa., a coal train was wrecked. At McKeesport houses were uncofed, trees blown down and windows smashed. Three houses in course of erection were blown to pieces. On the rivers a tion were blown to pieces. On the rivers a number of boars were torn from their moorings and cast about like corks, but they were secured before much damage was done. The velocity of the wind was fifty miles an hour, the highest recorded for years. The wind also did great damage in Sunbury, Pa. several smoke stacks of Scabury nail mili were blown down. Thirty-free men were at work in this mill at the five men were at work in this mill at th time, two of whom were instantly killed, four others fatally, and a number seriously injured.

ADDRESS TO LABORERS.

The Founders of the Knights of Labor Issue a Circular.

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The following circular signed by James L. Wright, R. N. Keen, R. C. McAuley and Joseph S. Kennedy has been issued to the members of the knights of labor:

In behalf of the toiling millions of the carth, we surviving founders of the secret order of knights of labor, after several secret meetings held in Philadelphia, and after due deliberation and investigation into the present autocratic form of government have found that the present order of knights of labor has departed or diverged hights of labor has departed or diverged from the original designs when organized in 1850 to the destruction of the principle of self-government lying at the base of American institutions. As the order of the American institutions. As the order of the knights of labor was founded for the purpose of abolishing poverty by securing to the laborer the fruits of his toti; and as we, the original founders of the knights of labor, who handed to the officers and membership the principles of the organization, have found after a lapse of nearly twenty years that the officers of the organization have departed from the principles transferred to them, and being determined to return to the original text, we extend the hand of fraternity to all those who believe in the principles former. we extend the hard of fraternity to all those who believe in the principles formerly promulgated, to wit: Secrecy, obedience, mutual assistance and the placing of industry on a scientific basis. We have resolved to eliminate all opposition detrimental to the principles and progress of the Knights of Labor as the founders intended. In making this known through the public press we do so to notify those at a distance. As in 1869, numbers for assemblies will be given from Philadelphia, Pa, until a sufficient number have been formed to call a convention for the good of the order. Those desiring to be with us will address box 834, Philadelphia, Pa.

THE LEGISLATURE.

STANDING COMMITTEES IN THE TWO HOUSES ANNOUNCED.

What is Being Done at Lansing.

The Committees Appointed. The following is a list of the standing committees of the senate. Agricultural college-Messrs. Holbrook,

Taylor, Harshaw.
Agricultural interests—Mesers. Berry, Toan, Grosfield

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Asylum for the criminal insane—Messra,

Dunstan, Toan, Grosfield,

Asylums for the insane—Messra, Leavitt,

Galbraith, McCormick, Griffey, Tyler

Banas and incorporations—Messra, Galbraith, Gilmore, Nagel,

Cities, and villages—Messra, Runney Cities and villages—Messrs. Ranney, Fox. Milues, Blackwell, Barringer. Claims and public accounts—Messrs. Gil-more, Bubepek, Nagel. Constitutional

amendments-Messrs. Constitutional amend Wesselius, Ball, Barringer

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Counties and Townships Measrs. Den
Herder, Taylor, Tyler.
Education and public schools—Measrs.
Blackwell, Green, Gorman.
Engrossmeat and enrollment—Measrs.
McCormick, Griffey, Renta.
Executive business—Measrs. Ranney,
Green, Danstan, Wesselius, Harshaw.
Federal relations—Measrs. Toan, McCormick, Harshaw.

Finance and appropriations Messrs. Chapman, Ranney, Blackwell, Den Herder, Fisheries-Messra. Gurney, Leavitt, Barringer. orical survey-Messra, Gilmore, Ber-

, Barringer. Horticulture-Messro, Taylor, Toan, Wis-House of correction at Marquette— Messrs. Griffey, Paimer, Holbrook. Immigration—Messrs. Co:grove, Dunstan. Gorman

Industrial home for girls-Messrs. Fox, Gurney, Grossield.
Institutions for the Deaf and DumbMessrs. Giddings, Palmer, Wisner.
Insurance-Messrs. Colgrove, Gurney,

Rentz Rentz.
Judiciary-Messrs, Palmer, Dunstan,
Colgrove, Wessellus, Wisner,
Labor interests - Messrs, Giddings,
Milnes, Colgrove, Holbrook, Harshaw,
Liquor traffic - Messrs, McCormick,

Green, Tyler, Lumber interests-Messrs. Blackwell. Lumber interests—Messrs. Blackwell.
Den Herder, Wisner.
Mechanical interests—Messrs. Berry,
Gurney, Barringer.
Military affairs—Messrs. Milites, Galbraith, Wisner.
Mining sebool and mining interests—
Messrs. Dunstan, Wesselius, Babcock.
Normal school—Messrs. Green, Gilniore,

Printing - Mesers Griffey, Giddings,

Gorman. Public buildings-Messrs. Green, Helok Rentz bealth-Messrs. Milnes, Herry, Public improvements-Messrs. Chapman, Milnes, Gorman. Public lands—Messrs. Fox, Leavitt, Har

Railroads - Messrs. Griffey, Babcock, Giddings, Green, Wisner. Reform school—Messrs, Wesselius, Ball. Barringer. Reformatory at Ionia - Messrs Toan, Dun-

Reisimacy stan, Nagel. Religious and henevolent societies— Messrs. Den Herder, Rainey, Tyler. Roads and bridges—Messrs. Leavitt, Tayor, Tyler. Rules and joint rules Messes. Chapman, Gilmore, Harshaw. Saline interests—Messrs. Gurney, Tyler, chool for the blind-Messrs. Ball, Gur-

ney, Nagel. Soldiers' home-Messrs. Palmer, Milnes, Rentz State affairs - Mosses. Babcock, Colgrove, German. State library-Messrs. Taylor, McCor-State prison — Messrs. Fox, Colgrove, Grosfield. State public school -- Mesars. Galbraith, Berry, Harshaw.

Supplies and expenses—Messrs. Batcock, Giddings, Grosfield. University — Messrs. Blackwell, Galbraith, Nacel ker Diekema in the house announced following house committees:

Agricultural College Dewey, Salisbury, Wiggins, Swift, Heineman. Agriculture—Watts, White, Sherman, Angerer, Canfield. Drainage—R. Robinson, Swift, Baldwin, Crosley, Jackson. Eastern Asylum for the Insane - Peabody, Hawley, C. W. Williams, O'Keefe, H. W.

Education-W. W. Williams, Northup, Gregory, Hobart. Elections-Waite, O. S. Smith, Ticklepaugh, Connor, Jasnowski. Engrossment and Enrollment-Dalton, A.

Smith, J. L. Preston, Baker, Alexander, A. Smith, J. L. Preson, Linker, Fisch, Aleshire. Federal Relations—Hebart, Wood, H. W. Brown, Mellen, Austin. Fisheries—Wells, A. A. Smith, Zogel-meyer, Angerer, Chambers. Geological Survey—Alexander, Hoaglin, Southworth, Probert, Mexen. Harbors—Hauscom, Crosby, Rauthier, Chambers, Jasnowski. Hortington.

Horticulture-A. A. Smith, O. S. Smith, Mortechnice—A. A. Sm.3h, O. S. Smith,
White, Dalton, Lowden,
Immigration—Stofic, Sherman, Zogelmeyer, Austin, Gibbons,
Insurance—J. L. Preston, O'Keefe,
Northup, McGregor, Gregory,
Internal Improvements—Rogors, Hawley,
Jasnowski, Judd, Murtangh,
Judiciary—Goodrich, Poster, Waite, N.

Judiciary—Goodrich, Peeler, Waite, N. J. Brown, O. S. Smith, Taylor, Randall, Liquor Traffie—Watson, Peeler, Collins, Aleshire, Gill Labor Interests Collins, R. Robinson, Goodrich, Gill, Wetlanger,
Leeul Taxat'on—Cole, Salisbury, Spenseer, Gregory, Wheaton,
Lumber and Salt—W. W. Preston, Russ,

Hall, Peabody and McKinstry.
Manufactories—Van Orthwick, Russ,
Dyer, Dewey, Huebner.

Michigan Asylum for the Insane—Stout, Sherman, Baker, N. J. Brown, Lowden. Michigan Institute for the Deaf and Dumb—Crosby, W. W. Preston, Tinkle-paugh, Watts, Mellen.

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Michigan Asylum for Insane Criminals—
Wood, Hobart, Harris, Baldwin, Canfield,
Military Afiairs—Eaton, Tyrrell, W. W.
Williams, Wood, Fitch,
Mines and Minerals—Spencer, Hanscom,
Wagner, Dalton, Forguson.
Municipal Corporations—Hoaglin, Dyer,
Salisbury, Curtis, Swift, Randall, Killeau,
Nermal School—Slosson, Hall, J. L.
Preston, Northrop, Gibbons.
Northern Asylum for the Insane—H. W.
Brown, Damen, W. W. Williams, McMillan, Forguson.

lan, Forguson.
Printing-Tinklepaugh, Cole, Stoflet, W.
Preston, Murtaugh.
Private Corporations-Potter, Morton. Private Corporations—Potter, Morton, Deming, Briske, Huebner.
Public Health—Curtis, H. W. Browne, Peabody, Ferguson, Wheaton.
Public Lands—O'Keefe, C. W. Williams, McKay, Heineman, Jackson.
Railroads—N. J. Brown, McMillan, Turner, Rogers, Slosson, Bignall, Hollister.
Reform School—Turner, Wagner, Eaton, White, Wachtel.
Reform School for Girls—Russ VanOrth.

Reform School for Girls-Russ, VanOrthwick, Lusk, Wetlanger, Bignall.
Religious and Benevelent Socities—C. W.
Williams, Van Orthwick, Doming, Stone,

Roads and Bridges—Baldwin, Hinkson, McKay, Gibbons, Lindon. Rules and Joint Rules—Harris, Hinkson, McGreger, Wetlanger, Dec. State Affairs—Abbott, Watson, Eaton, State Capitol and Public Buildings-Hall, Damon, Turner, Tyrrel, Dec.
State House of Correction—Tyrrell,
Honglin, Stoflet, Huebner, Jackson. School of Mines Southworth, R. Robin

son, Morton, Abbott, Connor. Soldiers's Home-Judd, Cole, Spencer, Probert, Hollister. State Library-McMillan, Stout, Wells,

State Prison—Pecier, Alexander, Good-rich, Lindow, Briske. State Public School—Deming, Rogers, Kirby, Rauthier, Fitch.

Kirby, Rauthier, Fitch.
State School for the Blind—Dyer, Curtis,
Hauscom, Murtaugh, Austin.
Supplies and Lxpenditures — Wiggins,
Lust, Judd, Hollitzer, H. W. Robinson.
Towns and Counties—Damen, Rauthier,
Kirby, Chambers, Lindow.
University — Taylor, Hinkson, Warte,
Aleshire, McKinstry.
Upper Peninsular Prison — McGregor,
McKay, Potter, Watson, Killean.
Ways and Means—Baker, Potter, Watts,
Wiggins, Hawley, Wheaten, H. W. Robinson.

Speaker Diekema has appointed the fol Speaker Diekema has appointed the following as pages in the house: Allen Falling, Calhouu; Geo. Sa'isbury, Midland; Earnest D. McMillian, Kent; Marquis Heaton, Van Buren; Allen Houk, Oceana; Henry Haynes, Genesee; Victor Lalonde, Roscommen; W. Stanley Peabody, Oakland; Geo. T. Stormont, Oakland; Burten D. Parker, Wayne; Gussie Markey, Livingston; Geo. C. Kobinson, St. Clair.

There is every prospect of an unusual amount of legislation relating to taxation. A general feeling prevails that the burden of taxation is unequally distributed, and a reform in this matter may be looked for.

Among other things, a reform in the taxation of mortgages is necessary, and legislation with this end in view is being

Game Warden Smith in his annual report the governor asks for legislation which will authorize him to appoint three state inputies. Without them, he says it is impossible to thoroughly supervise the work and maintain the law effectively. He also favors a change in the law which will allow deer hunting in the upper peninsula to be gin a fortnight earlier, and close the sen-son absolutely in two months. Representa-tive Russ has a bil which will amend the game laws in this and other particulars.

Representative Wells of Wayne, has riven notice of a bill to purify elections by atroducing the Australian ballot system. This system was urged by Representative, Grenell two years ago.

John Makelin of Sanilac, a former mem-ber of the legislature, has been appointed a clerk of the committee on ways and means.

The bill providing for the crection of an executive mansion in Lansing contemplates a house to cost \$150,000.

A measure is before the senate to enable mun to inherit his deceased wife's prop-

The question of cheaper railroad fares will come up again at the present session, and it is very probable that a two-cents-a-mile bill will be passed.

The libel bill prepared by the Michigan ress association was introduced in the ouse on the 10th inst.

The senate has passed the electoral bill. The Flint & Pere Marquette and the Saginaw, Tuscola & Huron railway com-panies have filed a memorial asking the re-peal of the law regulating the heating of passenger cars. They declare the law im-practical and unnecessary.

The house voted down the resolution to print 1,300 copies of the governor's message in English and a less number in the Ger-man, Holland, French and Polish languages.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit Produce Market. allow-Demand good at 5c per th. Honey-Easy and dull at 15@17c per fb

Fish-Firm at \$3.75 for trout, and \$7 for whitefish per cwt. Cranberries-Demand fair. Market is stendy at 8 was per bbl.

Apples—Extra barrels bring \$2, and fair stora \$1.25@1.75 per bbl. Potatoes-Market dull at 30c in car lots, and 35c from store per bu.

Cheese-October make, Michigan, 120; New York, 12001234c per 1b. Beeswax-The market is quiet and steady at 25@2se per lb for good stock Wool-Market steady. Fin Fine, 286039e: medium, 200; coarse, 29,000c per lb. Buckrwheat flour-Not much doing. Mar

ket stendy at \$2 50(a3 per cwt. for Michi Eggs-Supply light and market firm at 21@22c per doz for fresh and 18@19c for pickled.

Dressed Hogs-Packers are paying 5%@ per lb and butchers 6@5%c per lb. Market steady.

Hides-Market dull and easy; green city, 41/c; country, 5c; cured, 51/c; green calf, 5c; cured, 6 per lb. Beans-The demand is very light and narket duil at \$1 80621 85 per bu fer city

hand picked mediums. Flour-Michigan patent, \$6 25; roll-er \$5.40(65.50; Minnesota patent, \$7; Minnesota bakers' \$5.40; rye \$3.75(64 per

Hay—Market .rm; No 1 timothy, \$12.75 for car lots; small lots. \$14.50; clover mixed, \$10 in car lots; straw, \$6.50@7 in car Butter-The demand is not very pressing Best daily receipts go slowly at 22.023c and fair grades at 19.021c. Creamery is very

carce at 20 mage per 1b. Poultry—Live fowls, 6c; live turkeys, 9c; live spring chickens, Sc; dressed Sc; dressed turkeys, 13@125 c; dressed geese, 8@9c; dressed ducks, 10010c per lb.
Game—Market easy. Common ducks, 25
@30c; Mallards, 75@90c; red hends, 75c@\$1

@\$30c; Mallards, 75@90c; red heads, 75c@\$1 per pair; partridges, 40@90c per pair; quail, \$2 per dozen; rabbits, 10c each. Provisions—Detroit new mess, \$13.50@ 13.75; family pork, \$14.25@14.50; short clear, \$15.50@15.75; lard, in tierces, 814@ 85@c; kegs, 83@93@c; pails, 93@93@c; hams, 103@11c; shoulders, 9@93@c; breakfast bacon, 103@11c; dried beef hams, \$9.50@

10; extra mess beef, new, \$7.50. LIVE STOCK. Hogs—Market moderately active, steady; light and mixed, \$5605.20; rough packing, \$5605.10; heavy packing and shipping, \$5.10

Cattle-Market weak; beeves, \$2.00@4.85; cows, \$1.40,63; stockers, \$2.10,63,10. Sheep—Market firm; native muttons, \$3,64.85; western corn.fed, \$4,64,00; Tex-ans, \$2.50,63,50; lambs, \$4,50,60,10. New York Produc - Market.

New York Product Market.

Flour quiet but steady; fine §3 1563; superfine, \$2 75663 10; Minnesota extra, \$3 2066 5 75. Wheat unsettled and easier; No. 1 red state, \$1 05; No. 2 do, \$1 079; No. 2, red winter, January, \$1 000; February, \$1 02. Corn quiet; No. 2 mixed, cash, 48c; January, 45%c; February, 48kc, January, 45%c; February, 80; No. 1 white state, 42c; No. 2, do. 31c; No. 2 mixed, January, 30%c; February 32. Pork dull; mess, \$14 256614 75. Lard easier at \$7 00 for January, and \$7 88 for February. Butter quiet and unsettled; western creamery fancy, 20031c. Cheese dull; Ohio flat, 1061134c. Eggs lower; western, 20c.

Chicago Produce Market. Chicago Producs Market.

Wheat—January, \$1.00%; May, \$1.04%;
Corn—January, \$39/c; February, 34%c;
March, 35%c; May, 35%c. Oats—January,
25%c; February, 25%c; May, 28%c. Pork

January, \$12.80; February, \$3.90%;
March, \$18.02%; May, \$13.22%; Lard—

January, \$7.40; February, \$7.4007 42%;
May, \$7.53%; Short ribs—January, \$3.63%;
February, \$6.70; March, \$7.77%; May,
\$5.87%(\$6.90).

WINGED MISSILES.

There's a 73-year-old student at Prince-

Georgia cotton pickers are paid forty cents a day

Jacksonville eigarmakers make \$18 to \$45

wook each. Cornell has 1.174 students, 132 of whom are oung women

Field hands in Mississippi receive \$10 per onth and board.

The flower trade of London is estimated to amount to £5,000 a day. Cedar loggers on the Florida gulf coast

usually command \$2 a day. The secret orders throughout the United States are said to number over 200.

Mica miners and "trimmers" in North Carolina average less than \$1 a day. Girls employed to strip tobacco in Key

West factories earn \$5 to \$0 per week. The Victory, Nelson's flagship at Trafal gar, has been renovated at a cost of \$50,000. Some girls employed in the cotton factories of Macon, Ga., earn as high as \$9 per

week. The Pederal census of 1880 is just finished. at a cost of nearly \$6,000,000. Much of it is

A seal was shot in Vancouver harbor lately that weighed 130 pounds. What a

sacque its cont would make! Gov. Swineford, of Alaska, thinks that the territory is destined to become one of the great cattle raising regions of the world. A diamond trust is the next and most magnig ent combination to be formed by a consolidation of the four great South African diamond fields.

More than sixty per cent of adult English women, married and unmarried, are work ing for daily subsistence, and the number multiplies every year.

Every mansion in which a family of girls is growing up should have a court yard. Young couples would spoon less on front steps and in beau windows.

A physician at the annual meeting of the American academy of medicine made the statement that the injection of morphine in France to-day is almost a matter of fashlon. The number of marriages is in the pre-

portion of seventy-two to every one thou-

sand individuals. Marriages are more frequent after equinoxes-that is during the months of June and December. The character of the annual awards of literary prizes by the French needesny may be inferred from the fact that the gold

model was given this year to "Carmon Sylva," queen of Roumania, for a posm. Out in Montana the "sports," and minions of the moon generally, are excited over the arrival in Butte of a man who has invented a system to beat faro. He has won \$1,000

in Spokane Falls and \$7,000 in Missoula. Brot Harte, the author, is in his liftleth year. He has been writing since early in the sixties, when he printed a number of poems and war lyrics in the San Francisco papers. Previous to this time he had been a compositor. Near LaGrange, Ga., the other day cotton

an picked 558 pounds, another 567, another 546, and an old negro woman picked 312 pounds, besides milking the cows in the morning and at night. Sir Richard Webster, the English attorney general and leading counsel for the London Times in its fight with Mr. Parnell,

pickers came near breaking the record. One

was a noted athlete at Cambridge, and ho beat the Oxford men in one and two mile races. He always knows his case. General Harrison and his wife have writ ten forty-four letters to fond parents who have named new born bables and prospective voters Ben Harrison This or Benjamin That, and three to mothers of little girl infants who are named after the next lady of the

White house.

Berlin and Paris papers simultaneously announce that Victoria Claffin Woodhull is going to make her permanent home in those cities and build up a school for the odvention of young girls. She gave the information herself in a small German paper published in London, and sent copies to the editors of Berlin and Paris.

The trees planted by Alexander Hamilton in 1803 in remembrance of the original thirteen states of the union on Washington heights, New York, are to be destroyed by ontractors who are opening new streets in that section of the city. There will be an effort made to save the trees on account of

their historical interest. School Commissioner William Wood has resigned his position as member of the New York board of education, with which he has been connected for twenty years. Mr. Wood was born in Scotland and is 80 years of age, and although he has lived in this country the greater part of his life he still

speaks with a strong Scotch "burr."

Fred Mather, the well known fish culturist, has been making some very interesting experiments with the microscope, which prove that there are 9,000,000 eggs in an eel. and when these egg are hatched has always een, an still is, a mystery. All that is known definitely is that the old eels run down to sait water in October, and that in the spring swarms of young ones the size of a darning needle and about two inches long, ascend the rivers. A young man in Waltham, Me, broke his

yet recovered the use of his right hand. He became tired the other day from stay. ing so closely in the house and so, with his rifle under his left arm, he started out into the woods, not thinking of course that he was in any way to distinguish himself. But he came across a splendid deer, and by tying down and resting his gun between his knees he fired and brought down his game. Dr. Variot of Paris is reported to have discovered a method by which to remove tattee marks from the human skin. It has

right shoulder five weeks ago and has not

been extensively tested, and with most encouraging results. His modus operandi is to prick the marks or spots with needles until the blood flows and then to inject tannan, and finally to cauterize with nitrate of allver. The wounds caused by the prick ing become black for a time, then turn red, and after a month or so the paris which have been treated are almost indistinguishable from the adjoining flesh, The United States geological survey gives some mining statistics that show

something of the wonderful wealth of this country, judged by the immense miseral output of the past year. The total value of all minerals mined in 1887 was \$538,000,-000. This is \$70,000,000 more that the output for 1886 and over \$100,000,000 greater than that of 1885. The year's yield is not on'y the greatest ever produc country, but is at least \$100,000,000 greater than the output of any other country and, leaving out England, is greater than that of